DEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Barbara Edwards,	:)
	Complainant,)
V.	:	File No. EC-2020-0252
Evergy Missouri West, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri West	:)))
	Respondent	<i>)</i>)

BARBARA EDWARDS TIMELY RESPONSE TO <u>EVERGY MISSOURI WEST REQUEST FOR COMPANY WITNESSES</u> TO TESTIFY VIA VIDEO OR TELEPHONE

Comes now, Barbara Edwards, Complainant, and states as follows:

Complainant empathizes with the concerns of Evergy's potential witness,

Ms. Alicia Duarte (Sr. Customer Care Advisor). This is an unprecedented time in all our lives, due to the Corona Virus Pandemic. Complainant also has these very concerns personally, with similar circumstances in the family.

After careful consideration, complainant objects to Any telephone or video remote testimony by witnesses employed by Evergy, including, but not limited to, officers, CEOs, Board of Directors or individuals affiliated with this utility. It would be impossible for complainant to determine whether an employee of Evergy is behind the scenes during testimony, prompting the witness from its "in house" attorneys, who are on the blind side of the camera or not visible on a phone. Mr. Steiner has

disclosed to complainant, during a pre-hearing conference, that he is an employee of the company and not from an outside law firm. For this and other concerns, I object to this request from Evergy.

Respectfully submitted.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing has been served this 29th day of August 2020 upon parties of record in this proceeding via electronic service or U.S. mail postage prepaid, as listed below:

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